## **Beaverton Police**

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## Agencies will work together to remove drunk drivers this 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend

Officers with the Beaverton Police Department will work with officers from the Hillsboro Police Department and deputies from the Washington County Sheriff's Office as part of the Multi-Agency Traffic Team (MATT) in an effort to remove drunk drivers from the road this holiday weekend.

The extra patrols will begin on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and run through Monday night, July 5<sup>th</sup>. The Multi-Agency Traffic Team will concentrate their efforts in the City of Beaverton on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, within Washington County on July 4<sup>th</sup> and within the city limits of Hillsboro on July 5<sup>th</sup>. The extra patrols will consist of approximately seven to ten law enforcement officers and it is our hope that their presence alone will be a deterrent.

Overtime costs for officers with the Beaverton Police Department are being paid through a grant from the Oregon Association Chiefs of Police (OACP), the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

"Past DUII efforts have been extremely successful and we plan on enjoying the same success this Fourth of July weekend in ensuring our roadways are safe for motorists", commented Beaverton Police Chief David G. Bishop